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## KINGDOM BRIEFS

Dr. H. M. King preached the commencement sermon at Clark College on last Sunday.

People who are quick to take offense are not as a rule careful to avoid offending others.

In the list of candidates for State senator from Copiah county to succeed the late Dr. E. A. Rowan is Brother J. C. Farrar.

The Immanuel Baptist church, Hattiesburg, had last Sunday the largest attendance at Sunday School that they have registered—181 being present.

In a recent address at Hattiesburg, Dr. L. E. Barton said: "Jesus Christ is the supremest fact in all science. To leave Him out of one's investigations were unscientific."

Pastor T. L. Holcomb, of Yazoo City, is helping this week in a meeting at Booneville, where Pastor Jno. Buchanan has been doing a most successful work.

Evangelist H. R. Holcomb is now assisting his father and the church at Quitman in a meeting. Last year he was with them and over fifty were received into the church.

Pastor H. W. Shirley is encouraged by the progress of the work at Natchez. Good congregations and growing Sunday School under the superintendency of Brother A. A. Taylor. The present pastor speaks in high praise of Brother T. J. Barksdale, the former pastor.

Dr. F. H. Funderburk has resigned at Lexington and Pickens where he has served for a year and a half. The church unanimously passed strong resolutions of appreciation of his work and regret at his going, commending him highly to the people among whom he is to labor. We join the church in their prayer for the blessing of God on his work.

The striking likeness of Pastor H. M. King, of the Second church at Jackson, appears on page one. Dr. King is a native of Ireland and has not gotten over it. His ready wit and deep thinking recommend him anywhere. He has held with credit important pastorates in Tennessee and Mississippi. On last Sunday Dr. King preached the baccalaureate sermon for Clark Memorial College.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Convention Board an appropriation of \$3,500 was made to assist in building a house of worship for the mission that has been established in South Vicksburg. This mission began a Sunday School a few months since with 18 and now has an enrollment of 68. Brother T. W. Green is in charge. This means that the Calvary Baptist church on Clay street will dissolve, and the members will go, some to the First church, and others to the mission church in the southern part of the city.

The American Bible Society reports over four million copies of the Scriptures distributed the past year, one-third of which went to China. In the ninety-seven years of its history, an average of more than a million copies have been put into circulation annually.



REV. H. M. KING, D. D.  
Pastor Second Baptist Church  
Jackson, Miss.

The Sunday School of the First church, Jackson, has grown till enlarged quarters have become a necessity. The workmen are now making ready the basement for the classes.

A petition is being circulated in Hinds county by taxpayers to have the county convicts used to build good roads. This ought to be done and the State convicts ought in some way to be employed in the same business, or at least enough to secure good roads all over the State, for there is nothing that will be of greater material help to our people.

Brother A. S. Johnston, of Gloster, was recently ordained to the ministry. He is a son of Rev. J. R. Johnston, pastor of the church of which Brother Sidney Johnston is a member. This is one of our most promising young men and expects to finish his course at Mississippi College, next year. He is serving churches in the Mississippi association. Brother R. M. Boone was present at the ordination and wrote an account of the ordination which failed to reach our office on time.

Brother O. J. Stamper, Heidelberg, Route 2, is recommended as a good singer in Baptist protracted meetings by a brother who knows him.

Brother T. J. Moore writes about the meeting at Carriere. The meeting began May 2 and closed May 11; preaching by Rev. Jno. P. Culpepper. The preacher was at his best and did his work well. Culpepper is an effective, safe and stirring preacher and growing stronger in his calling day after day. Congregations good and the cause much strengthened.

We take pleasure in publishing in this issue an article about the town of Mound Bayou and its church. The Baptist pastor is one of our most intelligent and aggressive colored Baptists and lives in a town where all the people are colored. They have a good town, with excellent up-to-date church and school, bank and other business enterprises which would do credit to any people. We are proud of what they are doing.

The faculty and students of Mississippi Woman's College are planning to add a good library to their equipment. The offering on last Sunday night at their sacred concert, amounting to about twenty-five dollars, went into the fund they are accumulating for that purpose. This will make the amount on hand something more than fifty dollars. We feel sure that any contributions—large or small—to this cause will bring good results. Possibly someone who reads this will desire to help.

The new administration building of Union University, Jackson, Tenn., will be opened at their commencement this week. Dr. J. W. Porter, of Lexington, Ky., preaches the sermon Sunday morning. Brother S. E. Tull, of Paducah, preaches to the "J. R. G. Society" Sunday night. Prof. A. T. Barrett, L. L. D., of Nashville, delivers the commencement address Wednesday morning. Dr. Daniels, of Atlanta, speaks Tuesday morning, and Senator Lea Tuesday night. This is quite a galaxy. We hope for this great institution a greater future.

The class of 1913 at Mississippi College were given their degrees Tuesday night. There were thirty-five of them, and they made a handsome appearance. President Provine made a very brief address and announced some additions to the faculty for next year. Dr. Provine will have the chair of Bible and psychology. Prof. Lemon the chair of biology. Prof. Weatherly will have charge of the academy which takes the place of the preparatory department and will be assisted by Messrs. Rogers, Bible, Townsend, Robinson and P. I. Lipsey, Jr. The address of the occasion was delivered by President W. L. Potteat, of Wake Forest College, N. C. It was a good speech on "The New Patriotism," making it plain that patriotism does not consist in killing men but disease and ignorance.



## CONTRIBUTED ARTICLES

## WHY THEY CANNOT UNITE.

Article Six

One point of difference between Baptists and Methodists, which make it impossible for honest Baptists to join the Methodist or honest Methodists to join the Baptist, without an honest change of belief, providing such honest ones are intelligent, are concerning church government. This point has nothing to do with salvation, but it has much to do with sincere honesty as to what the Bible teaches.

Baptists hold that each church—that is, each local organization of baptized worshippers—covenanted together for the service of God as they understand the Scriptures to teach and require—is complete in and of itself and is an absolutely independent, democratic body subject to no other church or organized body, neither to any individual set of men, but is self-governed according to its own understanding of the laws of Christ as given in the New Testament. Baptists also hold that, so far as authority is concerned, all of the members of any given church are on an absolute equality. No one has the right to dictate to another what he shall or shall not do, but all are brethren of equal rights and privileges, and an equal voice or vote in the transaction of all matters pertaining to the church and its business or work. The ministers have no more voice nor authority than the smallest member. Their word may have more weight, because of knowledge and influence, but they have no more authority nor freedom, nor right to vote, and one voice counts for just as much as another. Baptists also hold that the property of each organized church belongs to that church and is under its sole control. The deacons are the custodians of the property, but they can do nothing with it except as directed by the church itself.

The Methodists hold that a church of a given denomination, especially of their own, is the sum of all of the local organizations, and that the whole, from the general conference to the smallest local organized congregation, is under episcopal government. That while the local congregation has the general management of its local affairs it is amenable to the conference for all matters of importance, and must have the consent of the preacher in charge and of the quarterly conference in all transactions of consequence, and all church property belongs to the church, and permanently in fee simple, to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. This, of course, is for the South. See Discipline, pages 194-200.

But while the local congregation has control of its local affairs, it has not the right to choose or select its own pastor, but is dependent upon the bishop who presides over the general conference. The church may request the appointment of a certain man for pastor, but the bishop and his cabinet,

composed of the elders, decide where each preacher shall go. This makes the preacher subject to the will of one man, or a set of men, and the local church subject wholly to the judgment and will of others. That makes the local church dependent, instead of independent, and the pastor subject to his superiors in authority. Whereas, Baptist churches are independent of all other bodies and subject only to Christ, and Baptist preachers absolutely independent and free, as to where they will preach, and subject to no man nor set of men, except the church of which they are members, for their conduct and the doctrines they preach. Baptist preachers are members of some local church, just as are all of the other members of Baptist churches; but Methodist preachers are members of the annual conference and subject to its discipline. You can see that this system takes from the preachers of the Methodist church the freedom of deciding where they believe they should preach and makes them subject to the "chief ministers." The Discipline says, under "Ordination of Elders," that the bishop shall ask those to be ordained, "Will you reverently obey your chief ministers, unto whom is committed the charge and government over you; following with a glad mind and will their godly admonitions, submitting yourselves to their godly judgment?"—Discipline, page 295.

You can see from this that there are ranks of superior and inferior ministers in the Methodist church system, and that the inferior in rank are subject to the superior in rank, and that the inferior in rank, regardless of actual condition, intellectually and spiritually, must "follow with a glad mind and will" the admonitions and judgments of the superior; while the Baptist ministry are on an absolute equality in rank, and no one subject to the government of any other. Of course, Baptists have "chief ministers," not in rank over each other, but in ability, influence and service.

You can readily see from all that precedes, that for a Baptist to join the Methodists or a Methodist to join the Baptists, with such different beliefs about church government and the ministry, would make such sanction what they do not believe and live a life of constant hypocrisy, unless there should first be an honest change of belief. Therefore, they cannot act honestly and change church relations without their belief undergoes an honest change. This way people have of changing from church to church, without a real and honest change of beliefs, is a most serious thing. Honesty is absolutely essential to right relations with God, and he cannot be honest before God who winks at, or sanctions by silence, or endorses by action, what he does not believe to be according to God's Word.

I have written these things to make all who read think. The old saying, "One

church is just as good as another," may be true as far as the people in it are concerned, but it is not true if one church teaches things that I do not believe and I join it, for it then has in it one hypocrite—one who knowingly sanctions what he does not believe to be according to God's Word. And it is not true, doctrinally, if two churches differ in doctrine and one holds what the Scriptures teach and the other does not.

Let Baptists and Methodists think on these things, and we will turn to the differences between the Baptists and the Presbyterians.

E. L. Wesson.

## SEMINARY LETTER.

The work of the session is over—that is, for the students. The last examinations came off this afternoon. Smiling faces, glad songs and cheerful yells told the tale of relieved minds as the boys came out of the judgment hall for the last time this session. Immediately many of the boys began to pack their trunks for home, and the hall has echoed all the afternoon with the home-sickening sound of moving trunks. Tonight as I write, trains going in all directions are bearing these happy hearts to their distant homes. Some are going to take up their work and will not return; some to see their loved ones; some to marry wives, and some, perchance, to see their sweethearts! \* \* \* But I must change this subject. It is of such a nature as is liable to stimulate a very unpleasant state of confusion in the mind of one who is left behind.

We are just waiting, those of us who are left, for commencement exercises to come off. They begin Sunday and will close on Tuesday. I will not give you the program here, but in my next letter, which will be my last for this session, I will give you a brief account of all the exercises. Dr. Mullins has especially requested that all the correspondents to the different papers do this. You will be interested in the program.

Brother Robt. H. Russell has received a call to the church at Kosmosdale, Ky. He accepts. After a brief visit home, he will return to take up the work. He also expects to serve another church nearby in connection with this. Brother Russell finishes his Th. M. course next year.

I have learned that Brother C. C. Kiser, of Atlanta, Ga., one of our graduates this year, is to make a visit soon to the church at Lexington, Miss., with a view to the work there. Brother Kiser is one of the best men of the Th. M. class and we are glad to know that one of our Mississippi churches has its eye on him.

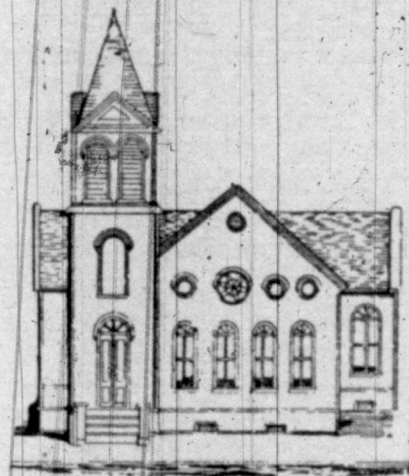
Dr. Carver made a farewell talk to the volunteer band tonight. His talks are always tip-top. Our volunteer band is composed of some of the strongest men of our student body. A great work, no doubt, will be accomplished through them on the foreign fields.

J. D. Franks.

New York Hall, Louisville, Ky.

## MISSISSIPPI'S NEGRO TOWN.

The negroes of Mississippi are doing well, and the negro Baptists of Mississippi are doing more missionary and educational work among their people, than the negro Christians of all the other denominations, in the State put together. According to their statistics, they have more than two hundred



Negro Baptist Church, Mound Bayou, Miss.

thousand members in their churches in the State. They are gradually improving the quality of their ministry, and they are building better church houses and school buildings all the time.

There is a town in Mississippi, known as Mound Bayou, which is made up entirely of negroes. This town is in Bolivar county, and is situated on the main line of the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley railroad, about 104 miles south of Memphis, and about 116 miles north of Vicksburg. This town was founded about 25 years ago by two negroes, viz: I. T. Montgomery and B. T. Green. Green has been dead for more than fifteen years, but Montgomery still lives to help direct the affairs of his people at Mound Bayou.

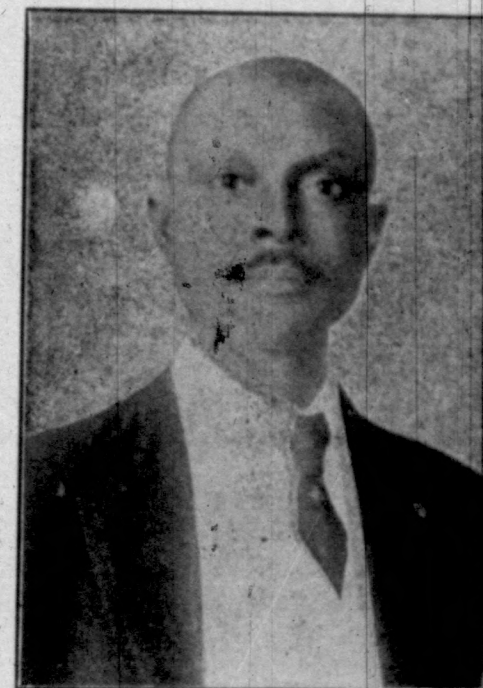
They have a bank, a large cotton seed oil mill, an ice factory, a soda water bottling works, a brick-making establishment, saw-mills, printing offices, a bakery, stores, etc. The town is substantially backed by a good farming country. The houses are well built, and appear to be kept neat and clean. The streets are well looked after. They have artesian water and are planning to have electric lights and waterworks soon. They have a mayor, aldermen and other officers like other towns in the state.

Chas. Banks is their leading citizen, who is a brainy negro, well known and respected by white and black, throughout the country. They have a railroad ticket and freight office, an express office and a telephone exchange, all managed by negroes. The records show that less crime is committed at Mound Bayou than in any town of its size in Bolivar county.

All of the religious denominations are represented in the community, with the Baptists leading in numbers property and in church buildings. The most widely known and the most influential minister in the community is the Rev. A. A. Cosey, pastor of the First Baptist church. Rev. Cosey is well educated and is a strong preacher. This church has more than 500 members, and has

an attendance of more than 200 at Sunday School every Sunday. Those who would like to be informed further about Mound Bayou, would do well to write Rev. Cosey.

The First Baptist church people are erecting a brick church house, which, when completed, would do credit to the people of any city in the country. Rev. Cosey is ably assisted and strongly supported in the religious and educational work he is doing by such strong members of his church as Dr. S. H. Harris, a physician; Y. M. Stringer, a merchant; C. F. Bolton, R. B. Randall, B. P. Howell, T. S. Morris and F. A. Anderson, land owners and successful farmers; Geo. H. Mays, Jr., financial agent of the oil mill; Jake Parker, farming demonstration agent



A. A. Cosey, Pastor Negro Baptist Church, Mound Bayou, Miss.

representing the United States government; T. M. Downey, C. H. Wade, R. McCorkle, A. D. Herring, Joe Moore, and others.

## COME, FALL IN!

If you're doing work of worth,  
Write it down, send it 'round,  
Just broadcast it o'er the earth.  
Others, seeing, will take heart  
And be glad to have a part.  
Come, fall in!

If your plans are panning out,  
Write 'em down, pass 'em 'round;  
You will end some other's doubt.  
They will "up" and try again,  
And we'll roundly cheer them when  
Come, fall in!

If you'll every one fall in,  
Write it down, tell it 'round;  
This sweet chorus will begin:  
"Baptists, Baptists, everywhere!"  
But not a blessed one to spare!  
Come, fall in!

And when life's story is all told,  
Written down, heaven-bound  
And His flock safe within the fold,  
May you be there to witness it—  
Our recompense when we have writ  
"Jubilate! All in!"  
—Matlack.

## Mississippi College

## COMMENCEMENT.

The baccalaureate sermon of Mississippi College was delivered on Sunday morning by Dr. H. L. Winburn, of Arkadelphia, Ark. He is a man of commanding appearance and gracious personality, and had won his audience even before the powerful message was spoken. He read part of the fifteenth chapter of John, and spoke in the beginning of the intimate and living union between Christ and His people. He took as his text, "For me to live is Christ," and spoke on the following points:

1. The Christian is the subject of a supernatural experience.
2. The Christian is the agent of a supernatural purpose.
3. The Christian is the medium of a divine revelation.

On Sunday evening Rev. C. C. Pugh, of Hazlehurst, Miss., preached the commencement sermon of Hattiesburg College. His text was, "If any man will do His will, he shall know, with this outline:

1. Highest and best of all knowledge.
2. Law of this knowledge.
3. The good news of this knowledge.

## ORDINATION OF ALBERT SYDNEY JOHNSTON.

Brother Albert Sydney Johnston, son of Rev. J. R. Johnston, was set apart to the full work of the gospel ministry by the Second Baptist church, of Gloster, Miss., on the night of April 24th.

The ordaining council consisted of Elder T. R. Payden, of Centerville; and Elders E. T. Smith, R. M. Boone and J. B. Johnston, of Gloster. Also the following deacons: From the First church, L. R. McCurley, W. S. Varnado and S. Reynolds; of the Second Baptist church, W. R. McGehee, J. N. Smith and C. Adams; of Rosetta, W. Z. Taylor.

The ordination service was carried out as follows: Presentation of credentials by Deacon McGehee; examination of candidate by R. M. Boone; charge to candidate by T. R. Payden; presentation of Bible by E. T. Smith; sermon by R. M. Boone from Rom. 1:15, "So as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the Gospel"; ordination prayer by T. R. Payden; benediction by the candidate.

Brother Sydney is the son of Brother J. R. Johnston, the beloved pastor of the Second church of Gloster, and is a promising young man. He is highly esteemed by the entire community, and has the best wishes of one and all. He stood a very thorough and creditable examination, which was private, as well as public. He is not only sound in the faith, but has a clear and intelligent conception of the truth of the Gospel. The council very joyfully set him apart to the work of the ministry, and trust that he will be a workman that "needeth not be ashamed." R. M. Boone, Gloster, Miss.



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## EDITORIAL.

### Co-Operation on Mission Fields.

There is a question that has confronted the missionaries on the fields and received serious consideration. It has had the attention of the Foreign Mission Board, but there has been very little consideration given it by the masses of our people. It is known that the missionaries are not agreed among themselves as to the policy we ought to pursue. Some of them are decided in their opinion that we ought to economize our expenditures and that we would get the best results by co-operating with other denominations on the mission fields to build up great colleges and even theological seminaries. Others are just as assured in their conviction that it is both unrighteous and ineffectual. That it is disloyal to the true self and impractical as to results. No one had ever ventured to introduce the question into the Southern Baptist Convention until its recent session at St. Louis. Here Brother Napier, one of our missionaries in China, expressed himself in favor of co-operating with other denominations. The brethren did not hear him patiently; perhaps some of them not courteously, but he spoke his mind. Secretary Willingham promptly announced that so far as the official training was concerned the board had pronounced against it. He did not state whether the question of co-operation in school and college work had been considered.

The editor of The Baptist Record has never been convinced by the arguments of those who believe in co-operation, and believes it would be to the detriment of the truth and integrity to the final and complete establishment of the Kingdom of God in the

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earth. The whole tendency of the work of the church is toward the idea of each denomination doing business for itself. We once had union houses of worship in many places, but all parties have seen it to their interest to set up to housekeeping for themselves. There were times when we had union Sunday Schools, but differentiation and separation were inevitable. Practically everybody now believes that this is better and that more good is done. We are rejoiced to believe that there is more unity of the spirit than there once was, but there can be no question that the stronger tide of Christian life makes a more highly accentuated church life. The organizing principle of Christianity makes more organizations, not fewer. Those who wish organic union are not only on a gold trail; they have taken the back track. Some do not distinguish between unity and union. The first is inward, the second outward; the one spiritual, the other mechanical. We do well to take heed to the genius of Christianity, to see which way the Spirit of Christ moves and be willing to go in that direction. There may be a great deal of talk about federation, but every denomination that is doing anything is "building opposite its own house," is working its own machinery and making more of it to work with. We are making our own schools, building our own houses, establishing our own publishing plants and attending to our own business generally. This is the proper way to attend to the Lord's business.

If there is to be any co-operation with other denominations on the mission fields, it will be only a temporary expedient, to cover a period of transition, a period of denominational adolescence. When the Baptist churches of China come to themselves, begin to be strongly conscious of themselves and their mission they will wish as we do to set up to housekeeping for themselves. In the meantime the missionaries who think otherwise are brethren and deserve a courteous and careful hearing. This is a question that cannot be settled by shouting down those who differ from us. That orthodoxy is but fictitious that shouts itself hoarse and exhausts itself crying "Great is Diana of the Ephesians." We can shun that species of loud loyalty that is orthodox for revenue or for bunkum. We suggest it would be a wise policy for our board to send a committee to study this and similar questions at first hand on the field, men whose minds are open and whose heads are level. We might learn a good deal that would be well for us to know and that would quicken interest in and sympathy for our missionaries.

### The Rejected Stone.

"The stone which the builders rejected the same was made the head of the corner" came to be a proverb to express the truth that sometimes happens, namely that out of the most unlikely conditions comes the best results. It indicates the surprise men often feel in the success one attains of whom the world expected nothing. It may be set over

against another parable. "Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?" Like any other proverb, it may be spoken of different people or conditions having no connection with one another. There are two uses of it in the New Testament by different people, that have no connection, though readers of the Bible have not always distinguished them and so have failed to get the force of the words at least in one case.

Peter uses this proverb, quoted from the one hundred and eightieth Psalm, first in his speech in the fourth chapter of Acts and then in his First Epistle. In both places he applies it to Jesus who was rejected by the Jews but became the foundation stone in the building of the New Temple of God. But the use that Jesus makes of it in His speaking to the hostile Jews near the close of His ministry, (Matthew 22:42) is quite different. Here a careful study of the entire passage will show that the rejected stone spoken of, is not Himself but the neglected and outcast people who are to become chief factors in the building up of His Kingdom. The Jews were not by themselves in despising the "riff-raff," the "publicans," the plebeians, the "common people," the "pariahs." The Greeks also had a name for the vulgar crowd whom they thought incapable of instruction and unworthy of attention. But the Jews, perhaps, more heartily despised other nations than anybody else did; and their own people who "knew not the law were accursed."

Now it was this great neglected, despised, sinful, helpless mass of ignorant uneducated, uncared-for people that appealed to the heart of God and moved the Spirit of Jesus. It was because they were as sheep having no shepherd that he had compassion on them. They pulled at his heart as nobody else did. They do today. And when the chief priests and elders questioned His authority in the temple He not only silenced them with a question about John the Baptist but without stopping went on to speak two parables to show both the fact of their rejection by God and the reason for it. He declares that God is going to repudiate them, abandon them, and select the very people whom they reject and despise to use as the material for building up His Kingdom in the world. One is the parable of two brothers who are told to go work in the vineyard. One of them says he will go, but does not. The other says he won't, but does. The first is the Pharisee; the second represents the Publican and harlot who are turning to the Kingdom. The other parable is that of the householder who rents his vineyard and when he sends for his fruits, is scorned and his son is killed. Jesus says plainly, "The Kingdom of God shall be taken away from you and shall be given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof."

It is just in this connection that he says "The stone which the builders rejected, the same was made the head of the corner; this was from the Lord, and it is marvelous in our eyes." The people who in the estimation of the Jews were unfit for fellowship in the Kingdom, or for any participation of its benefits are made by the Lord sharers in

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its blessings instruments for its propagation and among the first and chief materials for its foundations. It is significant that Matthew or Levi the despised publican, should be the one to write this very truth down, being made one of our Lord's apostles and possibly His first biographer.

No wonder the "common" people heard Him gladly, for his heart went out to them. Jesus said, "I thank Thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that Thou didst hide these things from the wise and understanding, and didst reveal them unto babes." That man is nearest the heart of the Master who cares for the weakest and most neglected. "Their angels do always behold the face of my Father in heaven." He is most like his Lord who ministers to them. Even under the ministry of Paul, one of the world's most highly intellectual, cultured and educated men, "not many wise after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble were called." But God chose the "foolish," the "weak," the "base," the "despised" to bring to naught the things that are. The instruments He has chosen in whom He manifests His grace and builds up His Kingdom are those that the "builders have rejected." These have become the foundation stones of his great temple. The proverb is repeatedly verified. Specially was it fulfilled in the rejection of the Jews and the election of the Gentiles to be the recipients and the dispensers of His grace.

### A Stone of Stumbling.

If the interpretation given above of the rejected stone be correct, that it refers to the outcast people who were to be brought into the kingdom and constitute its chief glory and strength, then the further teaching of Jesus with reference to them becomes of great consequence to the churches. He says, "He that falleth on this stone shall be broken to pieces; but, on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder," or according to the Revised Version, "it will scatter him as dust."

Jesus not only showed intense interest in the neglected but particularly cautions us as to our attitude toward them. It is better for a man to have a millstone hung about his neck and cast into the sea than that he should despise one of the little ones. The neglect of those who are outside our circle, the affecting of indifference to or refusing responsibility for those who are looked upon as inferior will bring its blight and curse upon ourselves. It means serious injury to the perpetrator in every case, and if persisted in brings spiritual suicide. Jesus puts it this way, "He that falleth on this stone shall be broken to pieces; but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will scatter him as dust."

We have not yet gotten beyond the need of warning on this point. As long as we decline responsibility for other nations than our own or look upon "inferior" races as unworthy our efforts to evangelize or lift them up; as long as the outcast members of our own race are beneath our attention, the submerged portion of our race is neglected or we withhold a helping hand from the fallen or criminal so long are we in danger of

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falling upon this stone to be broken or having it fall upon us and grind us to powder. The French Revolution is a familiar example of the protest of the despised multitude against the scorn of the favored classes. They rose against the privileged people and scattered them as dust.

It is easy to see how the existence of a neglected vicious element in a community becomes a source of moral corruption from which the highest are not safe. We cannot afford even in consideration of our own safety to make no efforts to uplift and sanctify the great body of negroes in our midst. If there were no higher consideration than our own safety we cannot pass by on the other side when we see them in need of our help. God will not permit the scornful or indifferent neglect or duty without visiting it with fearful consequences. The same thing is true in our treatment of the non-Christian nations. We cannot ignore their claims and decline to give them the gospel. To do so would remove from us the light we have and bring the wrath of God upon ourselves in some fearful visitation in which these same heathen will be the instruments. God will not only take away the vineyard from us and give it to those who will bring to Him the fruits of it, but the neglected and despised become to us a stone upon which we fall and are broken to pieces and if persisted in, the stone will fall upon us and scatter us as dust.

## Mississippi Woman's College

### FINAL EXAMINATIONS AND COMMENCEMENT.

The president was away at the convention all of last week and had no news to write.

This week we have completed our final examinations and have begun the commencement exercises, which are being held in the Immanuel church. The church has been painted on the inside, and presents a very attractive appearance. Friday evening at 8 p. m. the members of the expression class contested for a medal offered by Mr. G. P. Smith of Hattiesburg. The contestants were Misses Florence Boone, Mae Rogers, Leona Jones, Carrie Jackson, Holly McLenon, Vida Huff and Cecil Johnson. The medal was awarded to Miss Holly McLenon. Saturday evening Miss Rubie Barton, assisted by Miss Carrie Freeman, and the Glee Club, gave a graduating piano recital. Both of these entertainments were attended by large and appreciative audiences. Tomorrow Dr. Barton preaches our commencement sermon and we are looking forward to a great day.

Room fees for next session are beginning to come in. I have more now than were paid in by the 8th of August last summer. The new catalog will be ready for distribution in a few days.

A large number of visitors is already here and it is very gratifying to see the interest taken in the exercises.

J. L. Johnson, Jr.

## COMMENCEMENT SERMON.

All of the Baptist churches in Hattiesburg suspended preaching services in order that their members might hear the commencement sermon of Mississippi Woman's College at the Immanuel church.

President Johnson, who introduced the preacher, reviewed the work of the past session. He said that this commencement marked an epoch in the history of the college, closing the history of the first session. Having mentioned the hard work of the session, he said that God had surely done His best for Mississippi Woman's College.

Dr. Barton's text was, "But we all with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord." II Cor 3:8.

His subject was, "The Transfiguration of the Redeemed Life."

In his sermon, the speaker said: "Like Moses on Mount Sinai, we must stand unveiled in God's presence, if we must obtain a full knowledge of Him. Like Moses, though we must undergo a preparation for this transfiguration."

"The old dispensation showed by types and symbols the plan of redemption as in a mirror, as in the twilight; but under the new dispensation the Christ is seen directly as in the light of the noonday sun. The operation of the old dispensation required the services of a mediator but when the veil of the temple was rent, Christ entered into the holy of holies for us once for all.

"The unveiled face suggests the unveiled heart. The transfiguration of the redeemed life cannot be attained unless the heart is presented uncovered to the Lord. Difficulties arise because we are unwilling to do this.

"The *modus operandi*, or more properly, the *modus vivendi*, of this transfiguration consists in beholding the glory of the Lord. 'Be not conformed' . . . but be ye transformed.' When man beholds the Savior, God transforms him into His likeness. The image of the Savior will not come upon the desultory. Michael Angelo did not carve an angel by a blow a day. The image appeared only after persistent work. The transfiguration will come only upon those who make a persistent effort to live the Christ-life every day in the year.

Transfiguration is the result of the operation of an inward power. Like the sensitized photographic plate is the life of a Christian. Let the life look upon the Savior and His likeness appears upon it.

Let us put away the idea that men cannot become Christlike until they reach heaven.

The revolution in China was the result of the nation catching a glimpse of the face of Christ.

It is a wonderful thing to go from glory unto glory. It is a wonderful thing to have on your life the imprimature of a Christian college but a greater thing to have on your soul the imprint of Christ. Then shall come the transfiguration of the redeemed life.



## MISSION SECTION

## SYNOPSIS OF THE REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

(Continued from Issue for May 15th)

## Mexico.

The report from Mexico is incomplete on account of the war conditions. Many of the missionaries have had to be out of the field and it has been impossible to get a report from some of those who are still at their stations. Notwithstanding all the discouraging circumstances, the work in many places has been kept and there have been many additions to the churches.

The North Mexico mission has suffered very greatly from the unsettled conditions of the country. Millions of dollars worth of property have been destroyed, and many lives of non-combatants have been taken, many others forced to flee for their lives and a general unrest has prevailed, so that work has been carried on with great difficulty. The churches, by the faithfulness of the native pastors and the work of a few missionaries in the field, have been enabled to continue their regular services and the schools, though crippled in attendance, have continued throughout the year.

The mission in South Mexico, where conditions have been somewhat better, has had a year full of difficulties. Some of the native Christians have lost their lives and others have lost all of their earthly possessions. The schools at Toluca opened with bright promise. The enrollment of students was good and the renewing of the war brought discouragement in the year's work and the schools had to close on the first of April.

## Africa.

Missionaries in southern Nigeria, West Africa, where our work is located reported a good year. At Ogbomoso, Dr. George Green baptized 125 converts. Owing to the small mission staff, Dr. Green could not give the attention to the medical work that he desired. Still, he reports 5,000 patients treated and more than twice that number who have heard the gospel preached through the medical work. Dr. Green greatly needs a permanent building. He is now carrying on his medical work under two grass sheds, which afford only temporary quarters. Other stations have done great work.

## China.

The revolution, the greatest single political event in the history of the world, was made possible by the influence of missionary work, opens new and vast opportunities. This is Christianity's day in China.

The evangelical work has been pressed with great vigor, both by the missionaries and native preachers.

stantial in every way and thoroughly adapted to the needs of the society. The presses have turned out nearly eighteen million pages of Christian literature, including seven thousand Testaments and thirty thousand single gospels.

The medical work in South China though hampered by lack of equipment, reports 4,951 patients treated during the year, and many lives have been influenced for righteousness.

The Graves Theological Seminary has had one of the most satisfactory years in its history. The enrollment reached 58 students, and a large increase is expected for this year.

## The Central China Mission.

This mission reports 315 baptisms for the year with a total membership of 1,637. There are 1,176 students in the various schools, the attendance having doubled in two years.

All of the schools and colleges report a greater work than ever, despite the unrest.

## North China Mission.

Many encouraging features are reported for the year. At Chefoo the Holmes Memorial chapel has been built and opened for use. This much needed building was made possible by a gift of \$2,000 from Mrs. J. F. Seaman, daughter of Dr. Yates, and \$500 from the missionaries.

The work in Manchuria reports 26 baptisms with a total of 44 members and an encouraging outlook.

Warren Memorial hospital at Hwang-hien has been in charge of Miss Pettigrew and a native physician, Dr. Chu. He was urged to leave the hospital and go into the government service at a fourfold increase in salary, but he preferred to remain with the mission. Miss Pettigrew reports 11,510 patients treated during the year.

The mission schools and colleges are in a better condition than ever before.

## The Interior China Mission.

Notwithstanding the year of revolution and disorder this mission reports an increase of nearly 50 per cent in the number of Christians. The work in all of the stations has gone forward most encouragingly, and the prospects are bright for the future.

## Japan.

The year 1912 has been full of difficulty for our workers in Japan. The death of the emperor caused a mighty revival of Shintoism and a political crisis created much unrest, making it difficult to fix the minds of the people on the Gospel, but the missionaries expect that the final outcome of these things will be for the best.

The night school at Fukuoka has had an average attendance of 50, which has taxed the capacity of the classroom, and the teaching staff.

The seminary at Tokio has had 17 students during the year. A splendid piece of land has been bought for a permanent site for the seminary. This purchase was

made possible so far as the Foreign Mission Board was concerned by a large gift made through the Judson Centennial fund by one of God's noblemen whose name has not been made public. Eight promising young people have been baptized through the evangelistic work at Tokio and two of them are candidates for the ministry.

The report from Japan closes with an earnest appeal to prayer and it is quite certain that prayer is needed for our workers in this most difficult field.

## W. M. U. MEETING, ST. LOUIS, MO.

(Continued from Woman's Page of Last Issue)

## Thursday Afternoon.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Miss Buchanan, of Tennessee. She read and commented briefly upon the 96th Psalm, and Mrs. A. J. Wheeler, of Tennessee, led in prayer. After reading of minutes by Mrs. A. C. Johnson, secretary, a most interesting roll-call of the states was held by Miss Mallory. Coming forward in the order in which they entered, the W. M. U. representative from each state gave a resume of the year's progress. They were as follows: Arkansas Mrs. M. G. Thompson; Florida, Mrs. Wambault; Georgia, Mrs. J. C. Lanier; Kentucky, Mrs. Proctor; Louisiana, Miss Georgia Barnett; Maryland, Miss Clara Woolford; Missouri, Mrs. J. L. Buchanan; South Carolina, Mrs. C. E. Clinkscale; Tennessee, Miss Laura Powers; Texas, Mrs. A. F. Beddoe; Mississippi, Mrs. Bessie E. Kept; Virginia, Miss Elizabeth Savage; Alabama, Miss Lamar Lee Patrick; North Carolina, Miss Blanche Barrass; Oklahoma, Miss Sue Howell; District of Columbia, Mrs. Tipton; Illinois Mrs. Ida McIntosh; New Mexico, Mrs. E. V. Atwood. It is interesting to note that Mississippi entered the W. M. U. with more societies than any other state. The digest from Mississippi will be found in another part of The Record.

Dr. T. B. Ray, of the Foreign Mission Board, was then introduced, and after a few words upon the Judson Memorial, distributed among delegates and visitors beautiful pictures of Mrs. Ann Hasseltine Judson, with a leaflet containing an explanation of the 136 objects to which this Judson memorial is designed to contribute. Mrs. McLure, of Louisville, followed with a paper sent by Mrs. W. C. James, of Virginia, upon the four-fold purpose of the Jubilate, an increase in historical knowledge, personal uplift, increase in gifts and a new stimulus to personal service. A letter of appreciation of this fine paper was afterwards sent to Mrs. James, who was prevented from being present. "After College, What?" a paper embodying the report of Miss Susan Baneroff Tyler College correspondent, was read by Miss Mare. The report on personal service was given in a paper sent by Mrs. H. M. Wharton, of District of Columbia. This was read by Mrs. Rich, of North Carolina, and was afterwards asked for use in tract form. The report on Sunbeams was presented by Mrs. Milford Riggs, of

Missouri, after which there was interesting discussion of that work, led by Mrs. J. P. Harrington, of Mississippi. Just previous to this, however, a charming talk on "Personal Service in a Southern Town," was given by Miss Nell Bullock, of Meridian, Miss.

## Friday Morning.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. W. P. Throghorton, of Illinois, and a song by the five voices of the Home Board quartet was greatly enjoyed. After reading minutes the work of the Royal Ambassadors was presented by Mrs. W. F. Yarborough, of Alabama, and a conference on the subject was conducted by Mrs. J. W. Byars, Texas. Mrs. Byars' paper was a remarkable one, and we will have the pleasure of using it in leaflet form. Short and helpful talks along this line were given on the following subjects: A girdle of Bible truths, a breastplate of missionary habits, the prayer shield, showing salvation's helmet.

The recommendations of the Sunday School Board were read by Mrs. Ammen, of Louisiana, and adopted. The new membership campaign was a strong paper by Mrs. Pulman, of Florida. The most striking idea to your present scribe was the establishment of a home department in the societies, similar to the home department of the Sunday School. Miss Frost, of Nashville, came forward to present in few words a souvenir for each lady, a picture of the new building of the Sunday School Board. Mrs. McGlothlin, of Louisville, spoke upon the training school and introduced the charming young women, Miss Lide and Miss Hunter, both recent graduates of the training school, and both expecting to give their lives to work in China. Miss Lide had as her theme, "What the School Can Do for the Foreign Work;" Miss Hunter, "What the School Can Do for the Home Work."

Mrs. McLure, after introducing Miss Leachman, an enthusiastic worker in Louisville city mission, told of the settlement work which the training school had opened, of its difficulties and successes, and of how it had endeared itself to the poor people among whom it is held. (I wish you could have heard this talk.) The junior class of the training school was represented by one of its members, Miss Barton, of Texas.

The report of the Margaret Home was made by Mrs. Julia P. Thomas, of Virginia, president of the general board of managers. It was decided that this splendid piece of property, now worth \$30,000, should be put into the hands of a committee, who will find the best disposition of the property as an investment, there being no present call for it as a home for missionaries' children.

A chairman for each of the three commissions mentioned early in the meeting was appointed: For the field, Mrs. Falvy, of Louisiana; for the second, Mrs. James, of Virginia; for the third, Mrs. McComb, of Mississippi.

After prayer service led by Mrs. Truett, the morning session closed.

## Friday Afternoon.

The praise service was conducted by Mrs.

E. B. Atwood, several missionary Psalms—the 67th, the 66th and the 50th—being used. After the reading of minutes, the recommendations of the executive committee were read, and the beautiful song incorporated in to the recommendations and written by Miss Heck as a W. M. U. hymn, was sung by all standing.

The report of the apportionment committee was next given. This was a most interesting report but it will be possible to only give our Mississippi apportionments, which are as follows: Foreign Missions, \$8,514; Home Missions, \$5,676; State Missions,

The demonstration of children, which followed, was one of the most interesting features of the convention. Children from the different settlement classes of the city marched in, led by Miss Rosamond, city missionary, and in song and story, as well as in their bright faces, gave evidence that they had had good teaching.

Greetings were then received from the Woman's Missionary Union of foreign lands, through their representatives, missionaries from Cuba, Brazil, China. The report of the nominating committee resulted in the re-election of the officers who have so faithfully served us for years—Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, president; Mrs. A. C. Johnson, recording secretary; Mrs. A. C. Wallis, assistant recording secretary; Miss Kathleen Mallory, corresponding secretary. The election of the vice-presidents for the states followed, each state selecting and naming her own vice-president. Mississippi's choice fell upon Mrs. W. A. McComb, who has represented us for several years.

A beautiful design for a W. M. U. seal, prepared at Miss Heck's request, by Miss Emma Whitfield, daughter of Mrs. Theodore Whitfield, and niece, by the way, of our own Dr. Geo. Whitfield, was shown and adopted, after which the W. A. report was given by Mrs. Clinkscale, of Florida and spoken to in a charming manner by Miss Olive Bagby, Virginia, who took as her subject "The Perfect Blossom." Announcements made and final minutes read, the vesper service for the jubilate year was conducted by Miss Margaret Tweedy, of Virginia, and brought to a close a great meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Mrs. P. I. Lipsey.

## BLUE MOUNTAIN COMMENCEMENT.

Tuesday, June 3, 8 p. m.—Cantata.

Wednesday, June 4, 8 p. m.—Concert.

Thursday, June 5, 10 a. m.—Graduating exercises.

Thursday, June 5, 11 a. m.—Annual address by Hon. C. P. J. Mooney, editor Commercial Appeal, Memphis, Tenn.

Blue Mountain Summer State Normal opens June 9, 8 p. m., with Prof. J. E. Brown as local director, and Dr. W. T. Lowrey as director.

Blue Mountain encampment opens July 6th. Truly,

Lowrey &amp; Berry.

## Mississippi Baptist Hospital

## HOSPITAL NOTES.

The hospital secretaries continue their rounds and are kindly received.

On my last trip I visited Weathersty and Macedonia near by; Summerland and Soso. The chief interest in each of these places was manifested in the Sunday Schools. The Weathersty Sunday School gave \$50; one of the Sunday Schools at Macedonia, \$25; and an assurance of \$25 from the other. Summerland, \$137.50 and Soso \$50.

On Sunday afternoon it was the writer's privilege to take part in the ordination of Brother W. C. Black at Summerland church. Brother Black stood an excellent examination and he is held in high esteem, both as a man and as a preacher.

On some of my rounds I left my Bible, and so far have been unable to locate it. Reader, if I visited your home, please see if I left it with you and let the finder mail it to me at Jackson, Miss., care T. J. Bailey. This favor will be much appreciated as the Bible was a gift from a very dear friend.

Saturday morning I walked from Weathersty to Macedonia, a distance of three miles. Boxes of chickens and many hampers of beans were loaded on the train I left. As I walked along the way I noted the patches of beans, cabbage and tomatoes. I thought of Miss Stange and the nurses and also the helpers who besides the patients must be fed, and the suggestion came to my mind. Neighbors could co-operate in sending crates and boxes of truck to the hospital at little trouble or expense to themselves, yet with great benefit to our hospital. The more you help the hospital the more the hospital can help others. Try it.

Bryan Simmons.

## CLARK MEMORIAL COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.

Rev. H. M. King, pastor of the Second Baptist church, of Jackson, preached the commencement sermon for Clark Memorial College, today. He preached on "Character Building" (II Peter 1:5-7). He led us to the heights and we saw visions of God. A profound impression was made on the large congregation who heard him. We thank the Second Baptist church for the loan of Brother King for this special occasion.

The annual address for the college will be delivered Wednesday at 11 a. m., by Hon. W. M. Warrington, of Greenwood, Miss. Those who know Warrington know what good things are in store for us.

M. O. Patterson.



## TIDINGS OF THE KINGDOM

**G. G. Pope, Richton:** We have just closed a two weeks' meeting in which the pastor, Brother J. E. Byrd in his work from June 1 to June 15, led the singing. We received 10 by letter, several by letter; church and pastor received.

**N. R. Stone** has secured a good canning for Clarke Memorial College and is planning for other means by which students may be able to support themselves, such as dairying and trucking. The agricultural schools will be close competitors in our colleges.

**Edgar Holcomb** was the other day elected assistant Sunday School missionary to Brother J. E. Byrd in his work from June 1 to June 15. He is a young man of ability, graduating this year with distinction at Mississippi College. He is a son of Brother W. B. Holcomb and his two brothers are held in high esteem for their works.

Management of the Baptist Hospital acknowledges the receipt of a nice quilt from Mrs. Bessie Mayo and Miss Zelma Mayo, of Edinburg. Such thoughtfulness is highly appreciated. If a few hundred more would remember the hospital and divide their gifts between quilt, pillow cases and sheets, especially the latter, they would prove themselves very helpful in this line of our work.

**Brother, Laurel, Miss.:** Will you give the Record for consideration? Will you please explain in The Record what is meant to be taught in Leviticus 27:32. "And if a man will at all redeem himself of his tithes he shall add thereto the fifth part thereof." What's meant by adding "the fifth part" thereto? (Answer)—A concrete example: If a farmer raises ten lambs he owes one to the Lord. If he wishes to redeem all the lambs he may pay the money into the treasury of the Lord. But instead of paying the exact value of the lamb, he must pay one-fifth more than its value. If the lamb is worth \$2.00, he must pay \$2.40.

**J. Patterson, Newton:** One of the interesting features of the work at Clark College during the session is the special revival meeting. This has come to be an indispensable part of the college program and is proving a great blessing to students and teachers. This session the meeting was conducted by Rev. J. L. Low, of Edinburg, Miss. The presence of the Lord was manifest from the first service. Some of the class rooms were turned into inquiry and prayer rooms, and students and teachers prayed most earnestly for the lost of their number. Rev. Low preached the gospel with unusual earnestness and power, and students were gloriously saved. Almost every unsaved student in the college made a profession of faith in Christ. He is united with the Baptist church of Newton.

**T. Kincannon:** After supplying three months for the Bedford City Baptist church, I have been asked to serve as pastor. My father has been asked to serve as pastor of this church. Here Brother W. S. Royall labored faithfully for ten years and was succeeded by Brother C. W. Collier recently retired on account of bad health. Here we have a band of people in a beautiful town near the Blue Ridge mountains, with its noted peaks of Otter, Norfolk and Western railroad, twenty miles west of Lynchburg. I begin the year June first and the prospect is bright

for a good work. May I ask my Mississippi friends to pray that I shall measure up to the opportunities before me and realize my hopes for the cause at this place. With best wishes for The Record and the cause in your good State.

**Brother H. L. Watts, superintendent First Baptist Sunday School, Winona:** Sunday morning, May 11, at the First Baptist Sunday School a special service was held in honor of the mothers. Every member of the Sunday School wore a white rose in honor of the mothers, and those who did not have them were presented with them at the door. Special solos were sung by Misses Watts and Schultz, and many eyes were wet with remembrance of loved ones gone as the beautiful sentiment of the song, "Tell Mother I'll Be There" floated out over the congregation. At the conclusion of the service a very impressive scene was enacted, as some of the stalwart men arose and recalled the parting admonition of their mother as they left the home to go out into life's battles. At the 11 o'clock hour Rev. Martin Ball preached a special sermon to a full house on the subject of "Home," which was both eloquent and instructive.

**Evangelist T. T. Martin, Blue Mountain:** I wish through The Record to commend to Mississippi Baptists a new evangelist. Pastor R. F. Jaudon, of the First Baptist church, of Campbellsville, Ky., has decided to give his life to evangelistic work. Some of us have been urging this upon him for years. I know of no man better fitted for evangelistic work than this man is, and under God he will be a mighty power. He will be a benediction to every church and community where he holds meetings. He is sound, safe, effective and on fire for the salvation of the lost. He is suited to all grades of work, from our largest city churches to our smallest country and village churches. There will be no ill after-effects to follow the work of this noble brother. Most heartily and unreservedly do I commend him to our churches. He will locate at Shreveport, La., which makes him available for our Mississippi churches.

**Rev. J. F. Halley, Seminary:** I want to speak a word about Shady Grove church, a little way south of Vossburg. This is the church that produced J. W. and W. E. Lee. Had it done nothing else it should have justified its seventy-five years of existence. A number of its most active members have moved away, but there is life in the old stock yet, and it bids fair to do some vigorous sprouting. One young lady is credited with saying that the old church would die on last third Sunday, but that there was more life in it then than she had seen for a long time. I preach to the folks every third Sunday. By my third appointment the congregation had trebled. One trouble is that so few folks live near by. Like many neighborhoods, the white people are moving out and the negroes are encroaching. Towns have a wonderful fascination for folks under present conditions. I have been doing a little supply work. Brethren Wall and Lowe have made way for me. I should be glad to conduct meetings anywhere. I think that my lecture on "The Trundle-Bed Brigade" is not bad. If any community would like to have me deliver it, I shall be glad to give them an hour of "facts and fun."

**H. Boyd Watkins, Slayden:** We were in the midst of a joyful and profitable service at Alexandria on May 11, it being our pleasure to have with us Rev. B. F. Whitten, of Memphis, who is traveling in the interest of our Baptist Memorial Hospital. This brother presented his great work in such a plain, impressive and convincing style that it did not fail to find lodging in the hearts of our people. We succeeded in collecting some cash and a goodly number of pledges, which, Brother Whitten says, he would not sell except at a premium. We have also contributed recently a small amount in cash to our Mississippi Baptist Hospital at Jackson, along with our offerings to home and foreign missions. Our giving has not been what we should liked it to have been, but we trust that we have done fairly well, taking into consideration the fact that we have just completed our new church edifice. We also had with us on this date Singing Evangelists Floyd and Harris, whose singing added joy and inspiration to the occasion. Our church has already begun to look forward to the next session of the Coldwater association, which meets with our church in October. We are planning, trusting and praying that it shall be a great success. While it is rather early to make an invitation, but will say that we will expect a full delegation to be on hand, along with all the brethren that represent the interests of all our denominational enterprises and institutions.

A member of Friendship church, Williams-ville, Miss.: We have been having Baptist preaching in our community for nearly four years. Brother W. A. Roper very kindly consented to preach for us, giving us one Sunday afternoon in each month, for which we are truly thankful. After his preaching for us for sometime in his faithful steadfastness, God blessed his labor outwardly and at the close of a series of meetings we feel bountifully blessed when so many came out on the Lord's side, and with the co-operation of the brothers and sisters from other churches who joined in with us we felt it our duty to organize a church. On February 25, 1912, on our regular meeting day, all the members came together and with Revs. D. L. Wilson, T. J. Latimer and W. A. Roper, composing the organization council, our church was organized with 32 members, and given the name "Friendship Baptist Church." After which Brother F. A. Johnson was ordained as second deacon. We then called Brother Roper for our pastor. He has been an untiring leader. At Friendship his name will be held in kind remembrance. His words and teachings given us have been an inspiration to our souls. So close to him was our church that we thought there could be no one come to us as he had. But God very graciously bestowed a blessing in our own little church when He called Brother C. A. Fletcher to do His service here. In His infinite wisdom He has provided a leader for us. Brother C. A. Fletcher received his ordination April 13, 1913. Brother W. B. Perry, of Sallis, who was previously asked to preach, delivered a very appropriate sermon, after which the presbytery, Brother T. J. Latimer, of Clinton, Brother T. J. Latimer, of Clinton; Brother W. B. Perry, and Brother Roper attended to the examination, which was satisfactory and impressive. Immediately after the ordination Brother Roper presented his resignation. The church at once called Brother Fletcher for our pastor. He has attended Mississippi College at Clinton. We are proud of Brother Fletcher, thankful to God for choosing such a one as we feel he is and ask God's blessings to rest upon him and make him a "channel of blessing." We have Sunday School regularly, also have a Woman's Missionary Society. Both are doing very good work at present. In the society the Bible is being studied regularly, using J. J. Hill's question book, which is found to be very instructive. As yet we have no building of our own, but we trust to be able to build us a new church soon.

### THE GREAT DESTROYER.

By Hon. Richmond P. Hobson, of Alabama.

Comparative figures show the appalling fact that alcohol is killing off as many Americans a year as all the wars of the world have killed in battle in 2,300 years.

Applied to the whole white race, we find that alcohol is killing 3,500,000 white men every year, five times as many as have been killed in war in 2,300 years; so that, stated mathematically, alcohol is 10,000 times more destructive than all wars combined.

Looking upon a nation as climbing a ladder of evolution, alcohol, like a mill-stone, drags it half way to the bottom. The full significance of its drag appears when we realize that upon the average standard of character of its citizens must rest the institutions of a nation. As young as our nation is, the deadly work of alcohol has already blighted liberty in our greatest cities.

At the present rate of the growth of cities over country life, if no check is put upon the spread of alcoholic degeneracy, the day cannot be far distant when liberty in great states must go under. From the standpoint of the state, there is but one decision. This great destroyer must be destroyed.

The people have a right to vote on such a vital question and a majority have the right to rule. The scope of this principle must extend from the smallest political unit to the largest. Therefore, the constitution of a state is the true, ultimate abiding place for prohibition for the state. The constitution of the United States is the true abiding place of prohibition for the nation.

We can all go forward in the great war with a song in our hearts, each to do his full duty, whether as an officer or as a private in the ranks, knowing that whatever betide, whether the heavens fall or the earth melt away, whether we see the victory or die in the conflict, that "the Lord of hosts is with us"—that "the Jacob of God is our refuge."

### DO ONE OR THE OTHER!

If you are troubled with boils, carbuncles, old sores, bruises, burns, festering wounds, ulcers, or some other painful skin ailment, or tumors, etc., either write Dr. W. P. Gray & Co., 809 Gray Building, Nashville, Tenn., for a free sample of Gray's Ointment or get a 25c box from your druggist, or by mail from the manufacturer. This splendid preparation arrests all pain and prevents complications from these skin eruptions which so often prove disastrous, and is considered today, by eminent physicians the world over as a most effective remedy. You can always depend upon Gray's Ointment for speedy and permanent relief from any skin eruption or inflammation and as a preventative of blood poison. It is a friend that will never go back on you. Your medicine chest is incomplete without it. Write for free sample.

### THE SUNDAY SCHOOL AS A SOCIAL AGENCY.

By Rev. F. A. Crouth.

One of the most vital questions of the present day is how to socialize education. We have for generations been preparing pupils for individual success, in terms of money, power, fame and position. This must be displaced with the newer

and better ideal of social service.

This has an immediate bearing on the problem of the Sunday School. We have been using the methods used in secular education, but now realize the need of change in the curriculum. We must make use of the altruistic impulses of adolescence and lay emphasis on motor education—the education of the brain cells whose functioning produces action. Therefore social instruction and opportunity for at least elementary social service, are alike vital to present day religious education. We must teach the pupils their duty to society and give them an opportunity to perform it.

In our social institutions we must give the social aspects of the Biblical material. We have been emphasizing religion as the relation of the individual to God without reference to its relation to our fellows. In other words, let us for the benefit of the growing boys and girls, interpret the prophets in terms of his own day. Let us see how the prophet received religion, not in terms of ritual, or of ceremonial; not in terms of fasting and services; but in terms of actual service of one's fellow men.

Let us see the Son of Man engaged in a crusade, not only against the powers of the personal individual evil which alone we are prone to call sin, but against the iniquities of the established order of His day. To give social instruction, the teacher must be inoculated with the social gospel. The teacher who has caught the social vision and who brings that vision to the study and presentation of the Bible will prepare the pupil for social duties and responsibilities which are, at the same time, religious.

All teacher training courses should include discussion of social problems in the light of a social gospel. Only as they have learned this new point of view can they impart the truth to others. Advanced pupils should receive specific instructions in the nature and phases of the social problem with reference to local community needs, and some method of service planned that will allow actual service.

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Christian Association is well known. She was one of the prominent and effective participants in the sessions of the National Y. W. C. A. convention at Richmond last week, where she was a delegate. And there are others. This is all a good thing, "The Party" will capitalize to its full value all the good sense shown by the administration in its public and political policies; the church ought to be quite as alert to turn all the moral assets of the administration to the increase of its spiritual power.

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are all under many obligations to Mrs. P. I. Lipsey for the splendid report of the W. M. U. meeting in St. Louis. Mrs. Lipsey was not a delegate, but she kindly gave her entire time while there to see us in this helpful manner.

Heck was re-elected president for the fourteenth time. This speaks well for her, but especially for the wisdom of the nominating committee, of which Mrs. Reid, of Hand, was a member.

splendid address of our Mrs. W. A. McComb on Sunday afternoon on some missions elicited much favorable comment. A brother remarked that it was the finest thing he had ever heard on the subject—and he is in the habit of attending all conventions. We make this note not so much to praise our visitor as to call special attention to the address, which will occur in our meetings, and which we trust every woman in the State will read.

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response to "The Roll Call of the States," Mississippi was well represented by Mrs. Jefferson Kent. The list of her remarks will be found in the digest which will appear on this page.

Sunbeam Conference led by our Sunbeam and Royal Ambassador Leader Mrs. J. P. Harrington, was an hour well and wisely spent. It was a pleasure to note that the Sunbeam leaders were among the

most enthusiastic workers sent up by all the states.

No hour was more interesting to this scribe than that one devoted to the training school. Surely, the Lord was nigh unto His people when choice was made of that handmaiden, Mrs. Maud Reynolds McLure as manager and house-mother. Miss Nell V. Bullock, of Meridian, one of our own training school girls, showed her worth by giving her practical and proved ideas on personal service.

The Jubilate banquet given at the Planters Hotel on Saturday was a new feature, but an interesting one. A number of toasts were offered, all excellent. But none seemed more apt, appropriate or appreciated than those offered by our Y. W. A. leader, Miss Bankston, and by Mrs. Alma Ratliff Gray, whom we still claim as our own.

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Each year of the annual meeting of the W. M. U. each state presents a digest of its work for the year. The following report sent up from Mississippi gives cause for gratitude in that it shows marks of progress along many lines of our work.

### Mississippi.

Among the marks of progress that characterize the year's work may be mentioned the increase in the number of tithers. Nearly 500 are now recorded. This fact doubtless accounts for the increase in gifts. The State has gone beyond her apportionment by more than \$1,000. The Y. W. A's have nearly doubled in members and more than doubled in apportionment. The Sunbeams and Royal Ambassadors have done likewise. The societies are reporting more faithfully. The standard of excellence has been adopted by the State and has been the aim of three-fourths of the individual societies. The personal service department is better understood and has become a feature of both town and country organizations. A college correspondent has succeeded in organizing Y. W. A's in both denominational and State institutions. An office secretary was elected by the State Board in November, thus allowing the corresponding secretary to give her time largely to field work. The meeting of our women face to face has brought them not only into a clearer knowledge of the work but into closer touch with State workers.

At our annual meeting we were privileged to have our corresponding secretary, Miss Mallory. Her work both there and at other portions of the State visited proved a benediction. We had the added privilege at that time of a visit from Miss Buhlmaier. Both workers were to us an inspiration, of which the above named marks of progress may in a large measure be regarded as an aftermath. Mississippi is glad and grateful and will press forward to greater things during our Jubilate Year.

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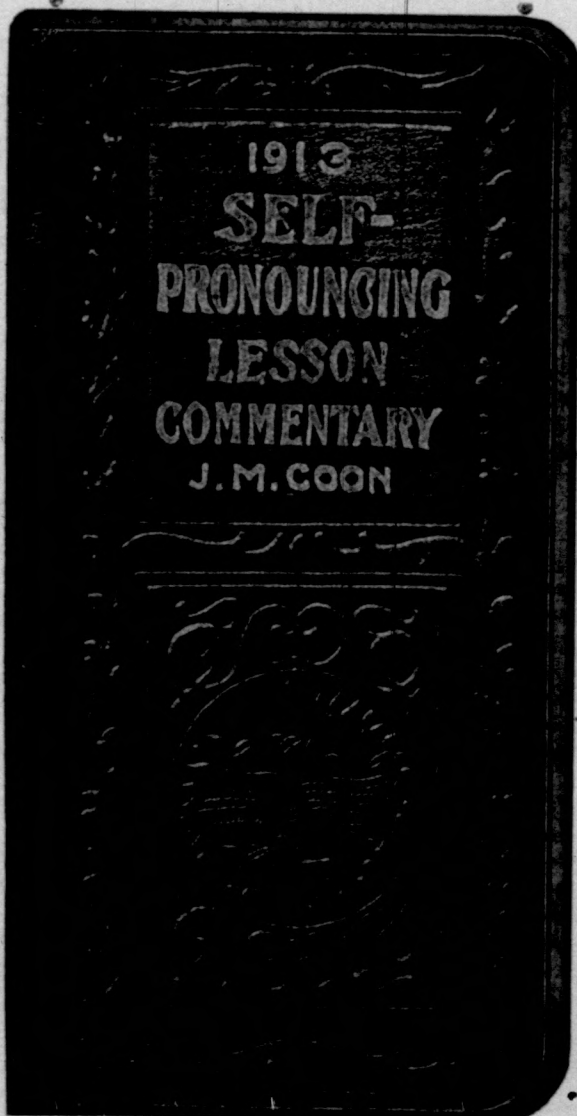
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